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THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 27, 1863.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

For Governor,
CHARLES M. CULLOM,
of Sangamon.
For Lieutenant Governor,
JOHN M. HAMILTON,
of McLean.
For Secretary of State,
HENRY D. DEMENT,
of Lee.
For Auditor of Public Accounts,
CHARLES P. SWIGERT,
of Kankakee.
For Treasurer,
EDWARD BUTZ,
of Cook.
For Attorney General,
JAMES MCCARTNEY,
of Wayne.
For Congress—4th District,
JOSEPH S. CANNON,
of Vermilion county.
For Member of the State Board of Equalization,
14th Congressional District,
M. A. CHARLES F. ENERY,
of Macon county.

BEN TILDEN thinks that if it is Grant and Tilden the former will have a walk-away. Sensible Ben.

An attempt was made a few evenings since to reconstitute the Morrison boom at Washington, but with only indifferent success. The Democratic party may rally with Morrison, and Palmer, and Hendricks, and Jewett, but when it comes down to real business its affections are found to be in possession of the men who betray a willingness to unhead a bar'l, which his name it is Tilden.

Some exceedingly wise statesmen are much tormented by the fear that if Grant should be elected the old-time whisky ring would be the controlling element in his administration. When it is remembered that John McDonald, of St. Louis, Boss Hesing and all his gang are bitter in their opposition to Grant, it could seem that the fears of these nervous individuals have but little foundation to stand upon.

Quite a good many of our Democratic exchanges in this state are just now engaged in working up a boom for Gen. Lewis B. Parsons, of Flora, for governor. We had supposed that John Oberly had taken out letters patent on the gubernatorial nomination, but unfortunately for him, he has no bar'l, while the Flora candidate is currently reported to be "well heeled." Which is why John's boom threatens to be lost sight of in the avalanche of enthusiasm for Parsons.

In St. Louis yesterday the saloon-keepers wept and refused to be comforted, and the police courts lacked the spice that comes with a rushing business. There was an unwonted quiet prevailing on the street corners where patriots with sanguinary eyes and chromatic noses most do congregate to discuss constitutional topics and wail over the degeneracy of the times. The Democratic state convention at Moberly had decimated the city at the other end of the bridge, and its leading industry was depressed much by reason thereof. But what was St. Louis' loss was Moberly's gain, and the publicans of that rural village smiled a smile of peculiar gladness as the shucks rolled into their tills amid cheers for Tilden mingled with caresses upon Grant and the blanket-blanked Radical party.

NEARING THE DARK RIVER.

Ex-Governor John Wood, of Quincy, is evidently near death's door, and his demise may be expected at any moment. Gov. Wood is in his 81st year, and was elected lieutenant governor of Illinois in 1856, on the ticket with Gov. Bissell. Upon the death of the latter, about a year before the expiration of his term, Gov. Wood succeeded to the office and served out the remainder of the four years. He was a good man and honest, upright official, and leaves behind him a record that his descendants need not blush for.

Hon. O. H. Miner, who was auditor of public accounts during the administration of Gov. Oglesby, is reported to be dying at his home in Springfield. An abscess in the side is his ailment. Mr. Miner has many friends in Decatur, who will be grieved to hear of his condition.

Col. D. L. Phillips, postmaster of Springfield, who has been ill for several months, is said to be sinking rapidly, and cannot long survive. Col. Phillips is one of the original Republicans of the state. He was appointed U. S. Marshal for the southern district by President Lincoln, and was afterwards editor of the *State Journal*.

Wanted:
By a gentleman, wife and boy four years old, board and furnished rooms in a private family. Call at this office.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Although the great convention at Chicago does not meet until the second day of June, the hotels of the city are already thronged with the advance guard of the immense host which will be on hand either as participants or spectators. The press dispatches are already largely made up of speculations as to what the outcome of the convention will be, and among the guesses are some that are of considerable interest. The Blaine men still claim that their favorite will be nominated, although they can give no reason for the faith that is in them except the hope and belief that a large number of delegates will violate their instructions and thereby give the prize to the man who is not the people's choice. It is a noticeable fact that the men who lay such large claims to respectability in politics—who are so remarkably good and pure that they shudder at the thought of being associated with the great man whom the whole civilized world has gone out of its way to honor—these incomparably honest men expect to succeed only by and through the dishonorable acts of a portion of the delegates to the national convention. Political virtue has, indeed, reached an exceedingly low standard, when men claim that they are accomplishing a good and worthy purpose by the use of means that are universally regarded as dishonorable and degrading. If Mr. Blaine is the choice of the Republicans of the United States let him be nominated fairly and he will be supported enthusiastically, but let us have no thimble-rigging about the matter.

The anti Grant journals are claiming that there is a majority of Blaine men on the national committee, and yet the Chicago Tribune is fearfully afraid that this same committee will pack the hall with Grant clackers, to the great detriment of the Blaine cause. It is also claimed by the partisans of the plumed knight that there is no possibility of Grant's nomination, and in the same breath they go on and say that if the convention refuses to admit the Illinois contestants the nomination of Grant will be an empty ceremony. When the whole matter is sifted it becomes apparent that the anti-Grant leaders have no hope of succeeding in their plans, and are only making an appearance of resistance now in order to make better terms with the victors. Everything points to the nomination of Gen. Grant, and after he is nominated the country will witness such an amount of enthusiasm in his behalf as was never before aroused in favor of any candidate.

The delegates from Champaign county to the state convention were selected in the interest of Blaine by a trick. It was only by an accident that two Grant men were put on. The other men no more represented the wishes of this county in regard to presidential preferences than Bob Ingersoll would represent the religious element in the Methodist conference. Not having been instructed to vote for Blaine or any one else, they lacked the sand to vote against selecting the delegates for Grant. On that roll-call Champaign stands "aye" 2, no—blank. They opposed any bolt in Champaign but assisted in the initial steps toward one at Springfield. —Champaign Gazette.

FROM THE QUAKER CITY.
E. J. Campbell of Philadelphia, under date of October 4, 1879, certified to the wonderful efficacy of Warner's Safe Pills and Safe Tonic in removing a liver disease accompanied by chronic constipation and yellow skin.

Sold by W. C. Armstrong, druggist. May 27-d&w2w.

Consistency.

When the Blaine men captured Kansas they insisted that the will of the majority should rule, and appointed none but Blaine delegates from that state. When they outnumbered their opponents at Chicago they insisted that they should have all the delegates. When they were outnumbered themselves at Springfield, they howled over the tyranny of the majority. Evidently what is same for the goose is not same for the gander in the Blaine programme.

A Old Man Restored to Health.

BATAVIA, N. Y., Sept. 15, 1879.

H. H. WARNER & CO., ROCHESTER, N. Y.—GENTLEMEN—“For forty years I have suffered with Diabetes, being obliged to void urine as often as once in thirty minutes, and have also been a sufferer from palpitation of the heart. I am now using your Diabetes Cure, and can truly say, at seventy years of age, that it makes me feel like a new man.”

PETER SHOWERMAN.
Sold by W. C. Armstrong, druggist. May 27-d&w2w.

Wanted:

All kinds of old furniture and household goods, in exchange or for cash. Will pay more than any other house in the city. New furniture, glass, and queensware at prices to defray competition. We have no rents to pay, and can give our customers the benefit of the same. Give me a call before either selling or buying elsewhere.

Houston,
East side City Park, old Revere House. April 16-dif

On or about June 1st the office of W. L. Dumont, grain and commission merchant, will be with D. S. Shellabarger & Co., at their mills. April 14-d&w1w

GRANT.

Peoria Journal (Ind.)
A gentleman in this city has received a letter written by Edmunds, in which that gentleman takes strong grounds for Grant, and insists that he, Grant, must be nominated. Washburne does the same, and adds that under no circumstance would he take the nomination. It is a singular fact that every leader in the Republican party is for Grant, and that, too, without any reservation whatever. Now, what is the reason for this singular unanimity of feeling and sentiment? Have these men discovered some scheme of the confederate brigadiers under foot, and do they think there is no man able to stem the tide but Grant? There is something in the wind, or this state of affairs would not exist. Blaine, on the contrary, has no one following him but second rate men. His strongest organization is in this State, and who are they? There is Charley Farwell, a poker player, a ward politician, a disappointed office-seeker, and a man without any moral purpose whatever. Next to him is Steve Hurlbut, a busy interloper, and a man without standing, at either home or abroad. He has an unconscionable and unapproachable thirst for office, and is a sort of a political jury sneak. Then there is Boss Hesing, a man stained with every kind of a job, and a convicted thief. Check by jowl with these is the whisky ring. They have all combined in the opposition. Their noise and clamor have induced a great many good men to think that they are the party of reform. They are no such thing. No reform is possible under Blaine. He has joined hands with, and is under the manipulation of Jay Gould, that prince of railroad rascals and leader of bond thieves. They have secured the co-operation of Joe Medill, whose glory it has ever been to be on the off side of every forlorn hope. He waves every rag that comes out first, from a spelling reform to a new departure in politics. Blaine cares nothing for the people, nor he. His ambition is to be President, and he is indifferent to the method by which he obtains the honor. His strongest adherent in this district is a man Grant kicked out of office, an act that the subsequent record of the man shows was the proper thing to do. This being the condition of affairs, we may expect to see Grant nominated at Chicago. The opposition to him is not so great and deep-seated, nor led by such influential as those that composed the Cleveland convention in 1864 and nominated Gen. Fremont against Abraham Lincoln. And yet everybody now can see that the action of those men was a great mistake, and the election of Fremont would have been one of the greatest calamities that could have happened to the nation. We look to see the party bow to the will of its leaders, and finally accept Grant.

At last we are likely to have a settlement made of the disputes between meteorologists as to cyclones and their origin. Some of the late “windstorms” in the West are ascribed by Professor Tice to electricity, pure and simple, and a property owner in Wisconsin, whose house was insured against lightning, has brought suit to recover for its destruction in the great storm of 1878. The courts will thus be called upon to decide whether, what we have heretofore thought was wind is in reality an electrical disturbance. Professor Tice, who has been making observations along the path of the recent Marshfield tornado, says there was “no wind, and that the damage done was all due to electricity. Some of his alleged observations are certainly very curious, such, for instance, as these: that while houses with metal roofs were damaged or destroyed, equally exposed houses with shingle roofs were left uninjured; that the damage on other houses was directly proportioned to the amount of exposed metal used in their construction; and that the bark from trees was stripped all around them and the ends of branches were torn into ribbons, and most curious of all, that dead and dry limbs were left uninjured, while green branches in their immediate vicinity were shattered. It would really be entertaining to have Professor Tice and other meteorologists called as experts in the Wisconsin insurance cases.

Excuse Rate on the Central.
To those wishing to attend the National Republican and Greenback conventions, to be held at Chicago, June 2d and 3d, respectively, the I. C. R. R. will sell excursion tickets, Decatur to Chicago and return, at \$6.80 for the round trip. For the Republican convention (June 2d) sale of tickets will begin May 30 and continue until June 1st, inclusive. Tickets will be good to return until June 5th, inclusive. This from the Tribune is as good a thing as the Grant men of Illinois ask for. They say that are glad the Tribune understands the question to be well settled, for it saves them a great deal of talking. Senators Logan and Cameron were in consultation to-day with a number of the leading Grant men. There is not a doubt on the minds of any of the Grant men as to the result. The latest table gives Grant 334, Blaine 212, Sherman 81, Washburne 8, Edmonds 26, Windom 10, doubtful 34. In this table Blaine gets 2 votes in Kentucky, 6 in New York and 8 in Pennsylvania, notwithstanding that all these States have instructed for Grant. On the other hand, every delegate instructed for Blaine, Washburne, Edmonds or Sherman are credited to them. It is a table where all the doubtful votes are taken away from Grant, and still he has more than enough to nominate him on the first ballot. The Grant men conceded the Committee on Credentials and Permanent Organization to the opposition, but are in a position, however,

TELEGRAPHIC

CHICAGO.

GATHERING OF THE HOSTS.

Farwell's Farce.

TOLEDO, May 27.—Wheat \$1.17 cash; \$1.01 1/2 July. Corn 41 1/4 cents cash and May.

CHICAGO, May 26.—The hotels are filling up, delegates are arriving by every train, the streets are showing evidences of the approaching event, and things are putting on a livelier appearance all around. The hotel vestibules and club rooms are thronged and nothing is talked of but politics. The question, “Well, what do you think of it, anyhow?” has been put and answered a thousand times by a thousand different persons during the past twenty-four hours. The Grant men answer the question very cheerfully and very emphatically, but the opposition men say they can tell better how the thing stands after the convention is held.

There has been an army of men and women engaged at the Exposition building to-day, decorating the grand amphitheater and putting on the finishing touches. It will be one of the finest halls a convention ever sat in, both as regards capacity and acoustics. Tests have been made frequently, and it is claimed that a loud whisper can be heard throughout the amphitheater. The arrangements for the transmission of the dispatch announcing the nomination of Gen Grant for the presidency are perfect. The whole world will know of the boom in less than ten minutes after the result is announced in the convention. The Western Union Telegraph Company will have forty of their best men and eight receivers in the building, and the American Union will have twenty men. There will be at least four quadruplex and four duplex wires connecting the convention hall with the principal cities throughout the country. The Palmer and Grand Pacific hotels are the centers of attraction for politicians at present, while a few of the leading ones are making their headquarters at the Tremont and Sherman.

To-night the soreheads held two indignation meetings, one at the Central Music Hall and the other at Farwell Hall. Hurlbut was the principal speaker at the latter place, and Anthony at the former. The attendance at both meetings was very large at the beginning, but thinned out early in the evening. The city is so full of strangers that anything in the shape of a free show will draw well now. The meetings were composed of people who went more through curiosity than anything else. The Tribune to-morrow will spread itself over them, but between now and Wednesday next the Grant men will get up a meeting here that will throw those of to-night completely in the shade. A good joke on the Tribune was made public to-day. That paper has been making a fight on the unit rule in Illinois ever since the Convention at Springfield. It has held that the Congressional districts in this State which sent Blaine delegates to the Springfield Convention were entitled to representation on the National delegation. On the morning of April 2d last a dispatch from Topeka, Kan., was published in the Tribune, the substance of which was that the Grant men in Kansas insisted that the delegation from that State should not be instructed to vote as a unit for Blaine, for the reason that the Second and Third Congressional Districts had sent Grant men to the State Convention, and that under the call of the National Convention each Congressional district is entitled to select two delegates and two alternates, and that a ruling to that effect was made at Cincinnati four years ago. The Tribune, in commenting on this editorial, delivered itself on the following piece of wisdom: “There is a prospect of something of a row over the action of the Kansas Convention in choosing a solid Blaine delegation to Chicago. The Grant men, enraged at the failure in Kansas of the game successfully played in New York and Pennsylvania, threaten to send up contesting delegations from some of the Congressional districts, and claim their admission as a matter of right, though it is well settled that a National Convention has no jurisdiction over the mode of selecting delegates which a State Convention may adopt. The second choice of the Kansas delegation is Grant, and the third choice Washburne, while Sherman has not a friend in the entire ten.”

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where they can adopt minority reports all day long.

QUINCY, ILL., May 26.—Our city was startled this morning to hear that Colonel Charles H. Morton, one of the most popular and prominent citizens had shot himself at his home. Last summer Colonel Morton was sunstruck, and since that time he has not been himself. Recently he sold out his real estate and insurance business, in tending to go to Colorado, his physicians having told him that he must not stay here during the summer. This morning when called for breakfast he was discovered in his bed dead, with a hole in his right temple and the pistol still in his hand. Mrs. Morton and servant were in the house, but neither heard the report. He leaves a wife but no children. His death and its manner has cast a gloom over the city, for he was a man of generous, noble impulses. With all the public trusts he has held not a stain attaches to any act of his.

LINCOLN, Ill., May 26.—The republican convention for the thirteenth congressional district, which met here yesterday, has just adjourned, after going through one of the most exciting and protracted balloting contests on record. The candidates balloted for were Bauer, of Mason county; Donahue, of DeWitt, Smith, of Tazewell, and Funk, of McLean. The balloting began at 8 o'clock this morning, after taking 121 ineffectual ballots. This morning ten more ballots were taken, the 131st resulting in the nomination of Hon. D. C. Smith, of Pekin, Tazewell county. Mr. Smith is a native of Germany, is a banker, and was a member of the legislature in 1876-7. The convention nominated ex-Senator Cusey, of McLean county, for member of the state board of equalization, by acclamation.

Special Notice.

Purchasers in search of elegant goods at reasonable prices, should not fail to examine our stock of

**HOSIERY,
CORSETS,
PARASOLS.**

May 25-d&w1w CHEAP STORE.

E. B. PRATT has extended the time for buying horses until June 4th, and wants to see all the good ones that are for sale, at 37 North Church-st., Decatur, Ill. May 25 d&w1

Our spring stock was never excelled either in quantity, quality or price, and we invite your patronage on the basis of the best goods for the least money. Come and see us if you want your shoes to fit 27-d&w1f BARBER & BAKER.

Opera Block Bakery and Restaurant.

G. Lagerbusch has opened a first-class bakery, confectionery and restaurant, in J. G. Shea's store room, one door south of the entrance to the opera house, on North Water street. He will always keep on sale a fresh stock of bread, cakes, pies, and confections, and will serve meals at all hours. A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.

May 25-d&w1

We Give Away

Any one article off our nickel counter to every purchaser of 50c worth of goods, and any one article off our 10c counter to every purchaser of a dollar's worth of goods.

May 25-d&w1w CHEAP STORE.

This will give every one an opportunity to spend a pleasant day either on the river, or in viewing the beautiful city of Terre Haute

Excursion train leaves Decatur 1 p.m.; returning train leaves Terre Haute 6 p.m. Fare for the round trip, including Steamboat.

\$1.50.

May 25-d&w1w

Steamboat Excursion!

—ON—

SUNDAY, MAY 30.

The ILLINOIS MIDLAND RAILWAY

WILL RUN AN

Excursion to Terre Haute!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce BENJAMIN McCLELLAN as candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM W. FOSTER as a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

We are authorized to announce WM. B. CHAMBERS as a candidate for member of the Board of Education at the election to be held on June 1st.

We are authorized to announce GEORGE P. HARDY as a candidate for circuit clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

We are authorized to announce JOHN WINSTON as a candidate for the office of Circuit Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.

We are authorized to announce MARTIN FORSTMAYER as a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

We are authorized to announce HENRY W. DAVIS, of New Creek township, as a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

FLOWER BASKETS, in all the latest varieties, at E. D. Bartholomew & Co.'s.

Drop a flower on the dead soldier's grave. Do this in remembrance of the life he gave.

"Scout's most out!"

LAWN mowers are on the move.

MILAM's bread is always fresh and pure and sweet.

REMEMBER Niedermeyer, on the mound, when you want good bread and luscious strawberries.

ANTHONY & KUHN's St. Louis beer on draught at Dan's Bank to-morrow.

CALM at the tabernacle to-night and sample strawberry short cake made by the ladies of the Temperance Union; also, ice cream, lemonade, strawberries, etc.

PHILADELPHIA LAWN MOWER—Best and cheapest in the world, sold by V. H. Parke.

THE WEEKLY REPUBLICAN was sent out to 1600 regular subscribers and 10,000 readers to-day.

The regular meeting of the Decatur board of health will be held at the office of City Register Hardy on next Monday afternoon at 10 o'clock. Parties having any complaints to make concerning the sanitary condition of the city, should be present and report.

THAT new Pearl glycerine on sale at W. C. Armstrong's drug store is rapidly growing in high favor with the ladies who find it just the thing for the face.

THE exodus of Decaturites to Chicago will occur Sunday and Monday nights.—There will be a great scramble for seats in the Exposition building next Wednesday.

SEE our linen crash. We have about 50 pieces, comprising all widths and kinds, at the original low-marked prices.

27-d&w1w CHEAP STORE.

THE W. St. L. & P. Co. are selling round trip tickets from St. Louis to Denver and return, good until October, for \$52. Guess we won't go till the fare is down to two bits for the round trip.

I. J. HALSTED can furnish from St. Louis the finest cut flowers for commencement exercises. Call at Smith's drug store for designs and prices.

May 24-25*

THE assault case of the city vs. Policeman John Tucker was called up for trial before Justice Curtis on yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, but was continued until 4 o'clock this afternoon. Sam Wilson, the aggrieved colored citizen, was on hand, ready to make the knight of the billy sweat for smashing his smaller flatter than nature made it.

RECEIVED to-day Ladies' Spring Circulars, Walking Jackets, Capes and Ulsters, very beautiful and cheap, at

March 6-d&w1w LINN & SCRUGGS.

TAKE all the waste paper you can raise and scraze together to the tabernacle festival to-night. The ladies of the Temperance Union will receive it gladly and turn it all into money.

If one E. C. Walters, of Homer, Ill., will call at this office he will recover an envelope containing valuable papers, which he lost on East North street on yesterday.

GO to J. T. Hubbard's for Cocoa Cream and Cocoa Shaving Lotion. Removes all redness and blemishes. Sample bottles only ten cents.

26-d&w1w

THE farmers report that wheat in Macon county is heading out splendidly, and there is every prospect for a magnificent yield, much larger than that of last year. The wheat is growing thicker this year, and if the heads fill well—and everything indicates that they will—there will be such a mammoth boom in wheat in Macon county as was never heard of before in its history. The wheat will be ready for harvest inside of three weeks.

Mrs. WOOD PEDDECORD has removed her dress-making room from Merchant street to more commodious and comfortable apartments on the second floor, opposite Curtis & Ewing's jewelry store, formerly occupied by Mrs. S. A. Jones. Mrs. Peddecord's patrons and friends will please make a note of this fact.

May 23-24

CHEW Zig-zag tobacco, clear Kentucky white filler.

SOFT NET COAL an dry stove wood a McClellan's coal yard.

May 17-df

FACT, Milam's new process bread has no superior.

24-d&w1w

CALL at B. Y. Brothers' "Union Boarding House" on South Water street, for a tip-top lunch, at any hour of the day or night.

May 14-dm

FIFTH feet three-ply Standard Hydrant Hose, Hose Nozzle and Coupling, complete, for \$7.50, at H. Mueller & Co.'s, May 8-23m East Main street.

Buy the McLean Racking Chair at P. B. Provost & Son's.

ap&dtw

THE members of the B. A. D. Club and invited friends engaged in a very delightful soiree at the home of Miss Fannie Sibley, on Morgan street, last night. The party had been arranged in honor of Miss Clara Honous' 17th birthday, but owing to the death of her father's sister, news of whose demise did not reach the city until yesterday at noon, different arrangements had to be made. The company had been invited and the refreshments prepared, and there was no other alternative left but to change the place of giving the party from Clara's home to the residence named. All had a happy time dancing to the music of Prof. Goodman's orchestra. Among the strangers present were Miss Jennie Madison, of Tuscola, and Arthur Willis, of Springfield.

YOUNG BURT SPENCER, aged 12 years, arrested with Frank Becker last February, for burglarizing Ham & Black's feed store on Prairie street, was discharged from custody on yesterday afternoon by Judge Smith, on Burt's promise that he would be a good boy in the future and go to school. It will be remembered that young Spencer did not break into the store, but only stood on the outside and watched while Becker broke open the money drawer. He has been in the county jail nearly three months, and looks considerably bleached. Becker was sent to the Pontiac Reform School for the crime of larceny, committed last summer.

The Democratic Primary.

The untrified Bourbons of Decatur township held their primary meetings last night and selected the following delegates to attend the county convention to be held on Saturday next, when delegates to the state and congressional Democratic conventions will be selected:

First District—Delegates—A. Shoemaker, M. Stafford, M. B. Thomas, R. L. Perry, H. W. Waggoner, John Dineen, Henry Bishop, P. Sparks Alternates—A. L. Vowell, John Lindsay, John Gogerty, E. G. Tucker, John Giblin, J. J. Chronister, Theo. Hildebrandt and W. F. Patterson.

Second District—Delegates—Wm. Cantrell, A. T. Davis, Edward Hughes and Wm. Boyd Alternates—Z. T. Hundley, Edward Flynn, D. J. Block and J. C. Hostetter.

Third District—Delegates—Jesse Leforge, D. C. Moffett, C. L. Griswold and J. S. Russell Alternates—E. H. Eldridge, J. M. Rainey, C. A. Ewing and I. W. Thurnau.

Fourth District—Delegates—M. Elson, J. L. Peake, W. A. Dennis, E. Harpster and H. C. Johns.

The presidential preferences of the Democrats of the county are rather mixed, and the probabilities are that the delegates to the state convention will go uninstructed. The mossbacks, however, are united on one idea, anything and anybody for president to beat the Chicago nomine.

Plainly Surprised.

A jolly company of friends, numbering about twenty couples, under the experienced leadership of Mrs. Francis Turner and Mrs. Harvey Downing, who planned the affair, invaded the comfortable home of Capt. W. W. Foster, on North Franklin street, last evening, and immediately took undisputed possession of the same.

The captain was unavoidably absent, preceding at a business meeting of the Guards, and did not come home until about 10 o'clock, when he found his residence brilliantly illuminated and the rooms filled with a happy crowd of friends, whose names are "too numerous to mention." Billy is too much of a politician to be surprised at anything in this life, and adapted himself to the circumstances with his accustomed ease and gracefulness, giving everybody a cordial welcome, such as his good wife had extended a few hours before his arrival.

Judge Thornton says that much damage to the growing wheat was done by yesterday's storm south of Macon county.

George E. Lary and Robert Ferguson got home from New Albany, Indiana, on yesterday. George is still unmarried.

Mrs. Meta W. Overmyre, we are requested to state, will be a candidate for member of the board of education at the ensuing election.

Miss Jennie Madison, of Tuscola, is in the city on a brief visit to her friend, Mrs. Sallie Whitsell. She will depart for Springfield to-morrow.

Guy Parker, aged 13 years, son of V. H. Parker, went to Denver, Col., with Governor Oglesby, and will remain in the Centennial State all summer visiting his aunts and friends.

W. S. Marshall, Decatur agent for the C. H. & W. Ry., departed this morning on a month's pleasure and business trip through Minnesota and Dakota. Charley Aholt will sell tickets and do the telegraphing while Marshall is away.

Postmaster Lytle and L. D. Allyn have made a dicker and exchanged places of residence. On yesterday Mr. Lytle moved his household effects into Mr. Allyn's late residence, at No. 43 West Main st., and Mr. Allyn moved into Mr. Lytle's late residence, at 25 West Cerro Gordo st.—Both dwellings are very desirable places of residence, and the exchange was mutually agreeable.

The Open Air Concert.

Following is the programme to be rendered by the Decatur Band in the city park to-morrow evening:

1. Andante religioso, "Federal Street"—Samuels.

2. Allegro con fuoco, from "Trovatore"—Verdi.

3. Overture, "Feast of Peasants"—Suppe.

4. Waltz, "Approach of Spring"—Ziehoff.

5. Quadrille, "Gardens of Boyer."

6. Polka, "Dreams of Youth"—Bach.

7. Potpourri, "Chips"—Boyer.

8. Andante, "Dundee"—Samuels.

PROF. A. GOODMAN, Director.

Wabash Excursion Rates.

Commencing May 25th the W. St. L. & P. R. R. Co. will sell round trip tickets to the International Miller's Convention at Cincinnati for \$8.50, tickets good to June 20th.

Also, from May 29th to June 1st, round trip tickets to Chicago for \$6.80, tickets good to June 5th.

Also, to the Greenback Convention at Chicago, from June 7th to 8th, round trip tickets to Chicago for \$6.80, tickets good to June 10th.

GENERAL REDUCTION

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HOSIERY.

First—Our handsome seamless full regular made pin-striped Hose, for ladies, misses and children, certainly the nicest goods in any market, and owing to the very large quantity on hand, we have concluded to offer them at a reduction of 5 cents a pair. They are without doubt the handsomest lot of hosiery that can be produced.

Second—We have in stock about 150 boxes—dozens—of excellent ladies' hose, good pattern and fresh goods, which we have reduced from 25c. a pair to 20 cents.

Third—We have on our shelves about 50 dozens of the cheaper grades of misses' and children's hose—light stripes, and dark and light colors, in great variety, which we offer at similar reductions.

It will pay you to look through our Hosiery Department.

Organized 100 Years Ago.

1880 being the one hundredth anniversary of the organization of Sunday schools, it has been arranged to celebrate the occasion in Decatur in an appropriate manner. Therefore Rev. W. H. Prestley, of the Presbyterian church, will preach a sermon on Sabbath Schools at the First M. E. church on next Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, and the public generally is cordially invited to be present.

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MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

May Term, 1880.

THURSDAY, MAY 27.

Court convened at 8 a. m.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Verlinda Turpin vs. Madison Turpin; chancery; rule on defendant to pay complainant alimony discharged.

May Reinhardt et al vs. Emma Honiker et al; partition; demurral to bill sustained and bill dismissed.

Edward P. Hammond vs. Lucretia B. Durfee et al; foreclosure; report of master approved.

O. Powers and C. F. Emery vs. D. W. Sterret et al; foreclosure; report of master approved; decree.

Farmers' and Merchants' National Bank of Vandalia, vs. Richard Haselden et al; foreclosure; report of master approved; decree.

People vs. Albert Spencer; burglary; prisoner discharged from custody and judgment of court suspended until December term.

THE MURDER CASE.

People vs. Chas C. Davis and William Ward; indicted for the murder of Berry Johnson, on the night of May 8th; defendants enter plea of not guilty; leave granted to endorse names of Dr. Leslie, David Adams, Thomas Doake, Lizzie Brooke, Martin Forstmayer and H. Mueller on indictment as witnesses; trial by jury, pending.

The People are represented by State's Attorney Buckingham, and the defendants by W. C. Johns, Esq., David Hutchinson, Esq., and Thornton, Eldridge & Hostetter. The forenoon hours were consumed in selecting a jury, and the panel was not full at the noon hour when court adjourned. The prosecution claims to have discovered one or two very important witnesses in this mysterious murder case who will tell a plain, unvarnished tale very damaging to one or both of the prisoners. Johnson died from the effects of a pistol shot wound, and on investigation by the coroner's jury, it was learned beyond doubt that he did not do the shooting himself. That somebody did it, the jury agreed, and recommended that Davis be arrested. It is not probable that any of the witnesses will be examined before the opening of the court to-morrow morning, as the jury is yet to be selected and opening statements of counsel are to be made.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Judge Thornton says that much damage to the growing wheat was done by yesterday's storm south of Macon county.

George E. Lary and Robert Ferguson got home from New Albany, Indiana, on yesterday. George is still unmarried.

Mrs. Meta W. Overmyre, we are requested to state, will be a candidate for member of the board of education at the ensuing election.

Miss Jennie Madison, of Tuscola, is in the city on a brief visit to her friend, Mrs. Sallie Whitsell. She will depart for Springfield to-morrow.

Guy Parker, aged 13 years, son of V. H. Parker, went to Denver, Col., with Governor Oglesby, and will remain in the Centennial State all summer visiting his aunts and friends.

W. S. Marshall, Decatur agent for the C. H. & W. Ry., departed this morning on a month's pleasure and business trip through Minnesota and Dakota. Charley Aholt will sell tickets and do the telegraphing while Marshall is away.

Postmaster Lytle and L. D. Allyn have made a dicker and exchanged places of residence. On yesterday Mr. Lytle moved his household effects into Mr. Allyn's late residence, at No. 43 West Main st., and Mr. Allyn moved into Mr. Lytle's late residence, at 25 West Cerro Gordo st.—Both dwellings are very desirable places of residence, and the exchange was mutually agreeable.

The Open Air Concert.

Following is the programme to be rendered by the Decatur Band in the city park to-morrow evening:

1. Andante religioso, "Federal Street"—Samuels.

2. Allegro con fuoco, from "Trovatore"—Verdi.

